SENATE BILL 3199

By Finney L

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 3, relative to legislative per diem.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 3-1-106(c), is amended by deleting the subsection in its entirety and by substituting instead the following language:

(c) Each member shall be paid a mileage allowance per mile, equal to the mileage allowance authorized for state employees who have been authorized to use personally owned vehicles in the daily performance of their duties, for each mile traveled from the member's home to the seat of government and back, limited to one (1) round trip each week of any legislative session, and one (1) round trip from the member's home to the site of any such other meeting as described in subsection (a). The preceding allowance shall be paid only in the case of attendance at such meetings described in subsection (a) as are held within the state of Tennessee. In the case of travel to out-of-state meetings, each member traveling by commercial conveyance shall be reimbursed for the member's actual travel expenses which can include, but are not limited to, mileage to and from the member's home to the airport, parking fees at the airport, taxi fares to and from the member's hotel or motel, or public conveyance charges to and from a hotel or motel to a meeting place. Appropriate receipts shall be provided with the travel expenses claim. Each member traveling by the member's personally provided vehicle shall be reimbursed at the mileage rate fixed herein, as adjusted in accordance with the provisions of § 8-23-101. The reimbursement rate provided for by the first sentence of this subsection (c) shall be adjusted after the election of each general assembly at which time the rate shall be revised to reflect the reimbursement

rate allowed state employees on the day previous to the regular November election, and the rate as adjusted shall continue in effect during the term of that general assembly.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect November 2, 2010, the public welfare requiring it.

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